Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 21 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 22 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 21 Sep 2021 at 03:38 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for a change to more autumnal unsettled conditions with some wet and windy weather through the week. Lower confidence for exact details of rainfall amounts and timings.

Headline for Tuesday 21 Sep 2021: Becoming cloudy. A little rain in west. Strengthening westerly winds, severe gales through the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 21 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
10%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Tuesday 21 Sep 2021

Weather: A bright day with some sunny intervals. Clouding over in the west by late morning with some light rain and drizzle especially for western ranges, drier for eastern ranges but becoming very windy with gales or even severe gales on the munro tops. Rain clearing later in the afternoon with cloud thinning and possibly some evening sunshine.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, tops mainly clear at first but low cloud soon forming, especially in west reducing the chance to 40%. Best chance of clear tops is for hills in the east.

Visibility: Broken low cloud will form above 500m this morning, in the west, reducing visibility. Light rain and drizzle may also cause some temporary reductions in visibility. Low cloud lifting and breaking by late afternoon in the north.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	31/37 SW	38/47 SW	44/58 SW	46/60 SW	49/65 SW	50/67 SW	49/66 SW
900	29/35 SW	37/46 SW	42/55 SW	43/57 SW	47/63 SW	49/65 SW	47/64 SW
600	21/26 SW	27/36 SW	32/45 SW	33/48 SW	35/50 SW	37/53 SW	34/51 SW
300	4/25 SW	10/32 SW	12/42 SW	12/43 SW	14/46 SW	16/49 SW	15/47 SW
Glen	2/11 SW	9/19 S	17/33 SW	18/35 SW	14/31 SW	16/33 SW	16/34 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	6/-1	6/-1	7/1	8/3	7/-0	6/-1	7/-0
900	6/1	7/1	8/2	9/4	8/1	7/0	7/1
600	8/4	9/4	10/6	11/6	10/5	9/4	10/5
300	10/10	12/10	12/10	12/11	12/10	12/9	12/9
Glen	13/12	14/13	15/12	15/12	15/12	14/12	15/12
Freezing Level*	2500m	2600m	2500m	2400m	1900m	2700m	2500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Widespread severe gales from late morning for all ranges, some storm force gusts on munro tops. Feeling chilly in strong winds.

Forecast for Wednesday 22 Sep 2021

Weather: A cloudy damp start to the day as a band of rain moves south over Scotland giving a period of wet weather on the hills. Rain will clear south by early afternoon. Some brighter conditions through the afternoon but one or two showers too.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 30-35mph with gusts 55mph in the morning, easing by lunchtime to 20-25mph with gusts 40mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% initially extensive low cloud in the west but improving to 60% during the afternoon as rain clears. Most tops will become clear again in the evening.

Visibility: Broken or extensive low cloud layers from 400m and above, low cloud more scattered the further inland you go. Rain will also cause a reduction in visibility with very few views to be had on the hills.Visibility will improve in the afternoon as rain moves south and low cloud breaks up.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 11C rising to 14C, slightly higher in the east. Temperatures falling to 4C by late evening as skies clear.
At 800m: Around plus 8C falling to 5C later in the evening.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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